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Sir:

In accordance with 37 C.F.R. 1.98 copies of the following patents and/or publications are submitted herewith:

U.S. Patent No. 6,492,898 B1 (Sabbattini et al.), dated December 10, 2002;

German Published Non-Prosecuted Patent Application DE 199 39 941 A1
(Sabbattini et al.), dated March 1, 2001, "Data Transmission System for Pipelines",
corresponds to U.S. Patent No. 6,492,898 B1, mentioned above;

German Published Non-Prosecuted Patent Application DE 195 01 887 A1
(Maryanka), dated July 27, 1995, "Device for the Transmission of Information";

German Published Non-Prosecuted Patent Application DE 197 26 949 A1 (Mayer, et al.), dated January 29, 1998, "Slot-line for contactless information transmission has inner conductor which is embedded in slotted outer conductor and which is surrounded by isolation cladding" and English abstract thereof;

German Patent DE 199 28 624 C2 (Hillenbrand et al.), dated January 11, 2001,
"Running Gear Controller" and English abstract thereof;

U.K. Patent Application GB 2 122 757 A (Bugnot et al.), dated January 18, 1984;

WO 00/15931 (Giesler), dated March 23, 2000, "Electronic Communications
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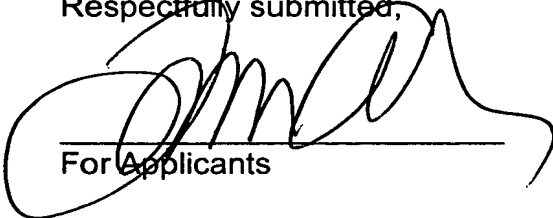
WO 94/24777 (Stapleton), dated October 27, 1994, "Data Transmission Using
Capacitive Coupling";

"Textbook of High Frequency Technology", pgs. 334-338; (Meinke et al.), published
by Springer-Verlag in 1962 (second edition);

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Respectfully submitted,



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